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- (2) The maximum allowable gas temperature; and
- (3) The maximum allowable torque.
- (k) Rated 2-minute OEI power operation. Rated 2-minute OEI power is permitted only on multiengine, turbinepowered rotorcraft, also certificated for the use of rated 30-second OEI power, and can only be used for continued operation of the remaining engine(s) after a failure or precautionary shutdown of an engine. It must be shown that following application of 2minute OEI power, any damage will be readily detectable by the applicable inspections and other related procedures furnished in accordance with Section A27.4 of appendix A of this part and Section A33.4 of appendix A of part 33. The use of 2-minute OEI power must be limited to not more than 2 minutes for any period in which that power is used, and by-
- (1) The maximum rotational speed, which may not be greater than—
- (i) The maximum value determined by the rotor design; or
- (ii) The maximum value demonstrated during the type tests;
- (2) The maximum allowable gas temperature; and
  - (3) The maximum allowable torque.

(Secs. 313(a), 601, 603, 604, and 605 of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 (49 U.S.C. 1354(a), 1421, 1423, 1424, and 1425); and sec. 6(c) of the Dept. of Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. 1655(c)))

[Doc. No. 5074, 29 FR 15695, Nov. 24, 1964, as amended by Amdt. 27–14, 43 FR 2325, Jan. 16, 1978; Amdt. 27–23, 53 FR 34214, Sept. 2, 1988; Amdt. 27–29, 59 FR 47767, Sept. 16, 1994]

#### § 27.1523 Minimum flight crew.

The minimum flight crew must be established so that it is sufficient for safe operation, considering—

- (a) The workload on individual crewmembers;
- (b) The accessibility and ease of operation of necessary controls by the appropriate crewmember; and
- (c) The kinds of operation authorized under § 27.1525.

# § 27.1525 Kinds of operations.

The kinds of operations (such as VFR, IFR, day, night, or icing) for which the rotorcraft is approved are established by demonstrated compliance

with the applicable certification requirements and by the installed equipment.

[Amdt. 27-21, 49 FR 44435, Nov. 6, 1984]

### §27.1527 Maximum operating altitude.

The maximum altitude up to which operation is allowed, as limited by flight, structural, powerplant, functional, or equipment characteristics, must be established.

(Secs. 313(a), 601, 603, 604, and 605 of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 (49 U.S.C. 1354(a), 1421, 1423, 1424, and 1425); and sec. 6(c) of the Dept. of Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. 1655(c)))

[Amdt. 27-14, 43 FR 2325, Jan. 16, 1978]

# § 27.1529 Instructions for Continued Airworthiness.

The applicant must prepare Instructions for Continued Airworthiness in accordance with appendix A to this part that are acceptable to the Administrator. The instructions may be incomplete at type certification if a program exists to ensure their completion prior to delivery of the first rotorcraft or issuance of a standard certificate of airworthiness, whichever occurs later.

[Amdt. 27-18, 45 FR 60177, Sept. 11, 1980]

## MARKINGS AND PLACARDS

#### §27.1541 General.

- (a) The rotorcraft must contain—
- (1) The markings and placards specified in §§ 27.1545 through 27.1565, and
- (2) Any additional information, instrument markings, and placards required for the safe operation of rotorcraft with unusual design, operating or handling characteristics.
- (b) Each marking and placard prescribed in paragraph (a) of this section
- (1) Must be displayed in a conspicuous place; and
- (2) May not be easily erased, disfigured, or obscured.

# § 27.1543 Instrument markings: general.

For each instrument—

(a) When markings are on the cover glass of the instrument, there must be

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means to maintain the correct alignment of the glass cover with the face of the dial; and

(b) Each arc and line must be wide enough, and located, to be clearly visible to the pilot.

#### §27.1545 Airspeed indicator.

- (a) Each airspeed indicator must be marked as specified in paragraph (b) of this section, with the marks located at the corresponding indicated airspeeds.
- (b) The following markings must be made:
  - (1) A red radial line—
- (i) For rotocraft other than helicopters, at  $V_{\it NE}$ ; and
- (ii) For helicopters at  $V_{\it NE}$  (power-on).
- (2) A red cross-hatched radial line at  $V_{NE}$  (power-off) for helicopters, if  $V_{NE}$  (power-off) is less than  $V_{NE}$  (power-on).
- (3) For the caution range, a yellow arc.
- (4) For the safe operating range, a green arc.

(Secs. 313(a), 601, 603, 604, and 605 of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 (49 U.S.C. 1354(a), 1421, 1423, 1424, and 1425); and sec. 6(c) of the Dept. of Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. 1655(c)))

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# $\S 27.1547$ Magnetic direction indicator.

- (a) A placard meeting the requirements of this section must be installed on or near the magnetic direction indicator.
- (b) The placard must show the calibration of the instrument in level flight with the engines operating.
- (c) The placard must state whether the calibration was made with radio receivers on or off.
- (d) Each calibration reading must be in terms of magnetic heading in not more than 45 degree increments.
- (e) If a magnetic nonstabilized direction indicator can have a deviation of more than 10 degrees caused by the operation of electrical equipment, the placard must state which electrical loads, or combination of loads, would

cause a deviation of more than 10 degrees when turned on.

(Secs. 313(a), 601, 603, 604, and 605 of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 (49 U.S.C. 1354(a), 1421, 1423, 1424, and 1425); and sec. 6(c) of the Dept. of Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. 1655(c)))

[Doc. No. 5074, 29 FR 15695, Nov. 24, 1964, as amended by Amdt. 27–13, 42 FR 36972, July 18, 1977]

## §27.1549 Powerplant instruments.

For each required powerplant instrument, as appropriate to the type of instrument—

- (a) Each maximum and, if applicable, minimum safe operating limit must be marked with a red radial or a red line;
- (b) Each normal operating range must be marked with a green arc or green line, not extending beyond the maximum and minimum safe limits;
- (c) Each takeoff and precautionary range must be marked with a yellow arc or yellow line;
- (d) Each engine or propeller range that is restricted because of excessive vibration stresses must be marked with red arcs or red lines; and
- (e) Each OEI limit or approved operating range must be marked to be clearly differentiated from the markings of paragraphs (a) through (d) of this section except that no marking is normally required for the 30-second OEI limit.

[Amdt. 27–11, 41 FR 55470, Dec. 20, 1976, as amended by Amdt. 27–23, 53 FR 34215, Sept. 2, 1988; Amdt. 27–29, 59 FR 47768, Sept. 16, 1994]

#### §27.1551 Oil quantity indicator.

Each oil quantity indicator must be marked with enough increments to indicate readily and accurately the quantity of oil.

# §27.1553 Fuel quantity indicator.

If the unusable fuel supply for any tank exceeds one gallon, or five percent of the tank capacity, whichever is greater, a red arc must be marked on its indicator extending from the calibrated zero reading to the lowest reading obtainable in level flight.

## §27.1555 Control markings.

(a) Each cockpit control, other than primary flight controls or control whose function is obvious, must be